

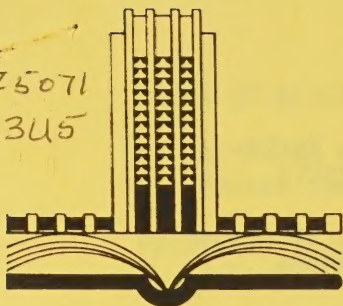
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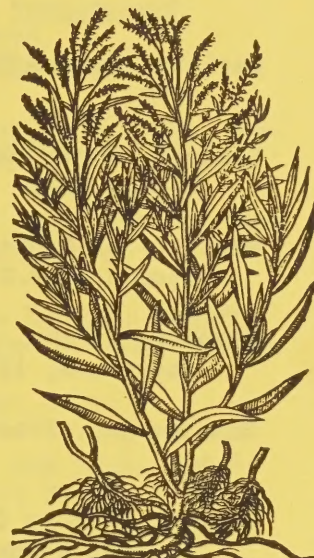
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## HERBS

*Zingiberis verior Icon.*  
The true figure of Ginger.



*Draco herba.*  
Tarragon.



### THE HERBALL OR GENERALL Historic of Plantes.

Gathered by John Gerarde  
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Very much  
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Thomas Johnson  
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LONDON

What is an herb? There is no universally accepted definition, and herbalists will differ in their answers to this question. At The National Herb Garden, in the U.S. National Arboretum, they consider as herbs those plants that are useful to humans but excluding those used just as vegetables or just for ornament. These include, for example, plants that have medicinal, industrial, and culinary uses, as well as those that are important for their fragrance.

Herbs have been used for many thousands of years. The popularity of individual herbs has waxed and waned in different societies and in different periods of history. Recently our interest in and knowledge of herbs has been rapidly expanding, as we discover, and in some cases rediscover, the important role that herbs can play in our daily lives.

Our knowledge of the usefulness of herbs may just be beginning. Researchers are finding new uses of herbs in medicine. Our diets are changing and being enhanced as we learn more about how to use herbs both for their culinary and for their health-giving properties.

This bibliography of selected books and journals and list of societies and sources of herbs includes a list of books on early American plant usage. By referring back to some of these older works, you can learn which plants were grown in that period as well as how they were used. These early references will take you back to a time when herbs were essential for survival.



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